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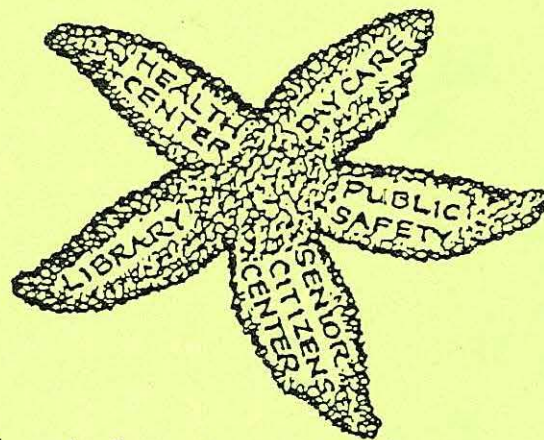
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# Peaks Island STAR



Newsletter of the Island's Service Agencies & other Community News

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## American Legion Post Book Sale

As many Islanders know, our American Legion Post 142 has had a long and colorful history since it was completed with a generous check from noted Hollywood Director and Summer resident John Ford after World War II. However, the old building on Welch Street up from Down Front requires considerable funds for maintenance and upgrades to be handicap accessible.

For many years, Islanders and visitors donated an incredible range of books that were made available to the community before the Peaks Island Branch of the Portland Public Library opened in 1978. Fortunately, these books were preserved in glass door bookcases and most are in excellent condition.

To enable others to read, enjoy and own these treasured books, the Legion will conduct a booksale during PeaksFest, on Saturday, June 18th from 10 AM to 2 PM. Among the 300+ titles that may be available are *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe from 1897, five books from Rudyard Kipling produced around 1900, the translated *Pierre and Jean* by Guy De Maupassant from 1890, Nathaniel Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter* in paperback from 1892, a 1879 *Introduction to Latin Composition* by Albert Harkness, William Shakespeare's *Complete Works* from 1878, *History of the Red Cross* by Clara Barton from 1898, *A Library of Poetry and Song* edited by William Cullen Bryant from 1871, and *The Life of George Washington, Volumes I-V* by Washington Irving from 1860.

## 15<sup>th</sup> Annual PeaksFest

**Friday, June 17 through Sunday June 19**

PeaksFest will open on Friday June 17, starting with a Schmoozefest at the Fifth Maine at 6:30, and will end on Sunday, June 19, with the Ferry Home Companion "Radio" show at TEIA at 7:00 pm.

For schedules of events, look on Facebook (PeaksFest page) and [www.peaksfest.wordpress.com](http://www.peaksfest.wordpress.com), and on NextDoor and Carol Eisenberg's list, along with local island businesses. Schedules are usually available by the week of PeaksFest.





## PEAKS ISLAND LIONS CLUB



### LIONS CLUB ORGANIZATION GRANTS

Organizations that would like to be considered for a Lions Club Grant should contact Lions Club President, Edward Ezzard by telephone, mail or e-mail by October 15<sup>th</sup>. The grants will be awarded at the October 24th Lions Club meeting. **Telephone: 756-4713; Address: P.O. Box 102, Peaks Island, ME 04108; e-mail: [TheMaineJack@gmail.com](mailto:TheMaineJack@gmail.com)**

Grant funds were obtained from Lion's volunteer and fundraising activities including: lobster bakes, the variety show, the road race, club rentals and private donations.

### LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

To be eligible for a Lions Scholarship for the 2016-17 school year, Peaks Island residents and children of Peaks Island Lions members who are currently attending or expect to matriculate in a post graduate career school or college for the fall semester should submit a written scholarship request to:

**Chairman of the Scholarship Committee**

**Peaks Island Lions Club, P.O. Box 102**

**Peaks Island, ME 04108**

Your letter must be received by September 15<sup>th</sup> and should state your expected field of study and the school that you will be attending.

If you are reapplying for this scholarship, the reapplying applicant or family is expected to help the community with a minimum of eight (8) hours of service in the Lions or another Lions approved Peaks Island organization. The Peaks Island Club service activities include our good weather fundraising events (bakes, rentals from May - August), our community activities - Halloween Party (Oct 31<sup>st</sup>), Variety Show (Aug 31<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>), Christmas Party (Dec at the school), our sponsored Peaks Island Road Race (July 30<sup>th</sup>) and for grounds maintenance (May - Oct). We will send you our events calendar for you to sign up by emailing [lionsclubrentals@gmail.com](mailto:lionsclubrentals@gmail.com)

### Seeking New Lions Club Members

Lend a helping hand to preserve Peaks Island as a helping caring community. Join the Peaks Island Lions Club. Contact Lions Club President, Edward Ezzard by telephone, mail or e-mail: **Telephone: 756-4713; Address: P.O. Box 102, Peaks Island, ME 04108; e-mail: [TheMaineJack@gmail.com](mailto:TheMaineJack@gmail.com)**  
Note: Many of our members are seasonal Peaks Island residents.

We thank Peaks Islanders and your visiting guests and family members for your continuing sponsorship of the Lions Club's Activities and Events. It is greatly appreciated.

### ***Skateboard Park Donations Needed***

Although some funds have been raised for the Peaks Island Skateboard Park, we still need more to begin Phase 1 of construction at Trott-Littlejohn Park. Tax deductible donations may be sent to Peaks Island Skateboard Park Fund, P.O. Box 22, Peaks Island, ME 04108.

Our website: [www.peaksislandskatepark.org](http://www.peaksislandskatepark.org) includes the plans.



## TEIA NEWS

### A Very Special Open House: CELEBRATING OUR COMMUNITY

June 10- 6: 8: pm

- GATHER on the PORCH & raise a glass with FRIENDS!
- Serving Pat's PIZZA & Appetizer
- Donation WINE & BEER Bar OPEN!
- Come PLAY Pool / PING PONG / Foosball
- Basketball & tennis Courts OPEN!
- RAFFLE for Family TEIA Membership
- Special priced Family MEMBERSHIPS for NEW Members
- FREE weekly pass GIVEAWAYS & MORE!

### TEIA Lecture Series

Tuesday 7 pm

We have scheduled a remarkable series of lectures for you this year. Mark your calendar now so you don't end up missing one. See you there....

*June 28 – "Zika, Lyme, and other Infections that can Impact Peaks" - George L. Higgins III, MD, FACEP*

*July 12 – "CHANGING IT UP: Embracing the Mess of a Creative Mind" - Scott Nash*

*July 19 – "Inside the Heart of the Dragon: A Personal Snapshot into China Today" - Suzanne Fox*

*July 26 – "Money in Politics: The 28th Amendment to Keep The American Promise" - Jeff Clements*

*August 9 – "Ancient Fertility Practices and Beliefs"- Anne Belden, MS, PCC*

*August 16 – "Climate of Change" - Island Institute Presentation*

*August 23 – "Forecasts of the 2016 American National Elections" -*

*Jim Campbell, University of Buffalo Professor of Political Science*

**TEIA Lecture series is open to the Peaks Island Community at No Charge**

### TEIA Is Making Changes

TEIA would like to announce, as part of the Strategic Planning process, we have contracted with Peaks Island marketing strategist and social media consultant Heather Wasklewicz. She is working with the Strategic Planning Team to provide direction on current marketing practices to reach out to the Peaks Island community to ensure the programs we are offering fit the needs of the current island demographics.

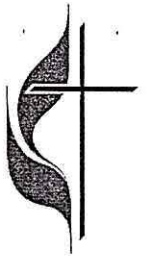
We would also like to announce the appointment of Nancy Flynn of Peaks Island as TEIA's accountant. This is a new position recently established and we are pleased to have Nancy join us to help with this important role. Nancy is recently retired from Johnson & Company, a CPA firm in Scarborough, Maine, after a 30 year accounting career.

## ***Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church***

*We are a Welcoming, Inclusive, and Reconciling Congregation*

9 Church Ave., Peaks Island, ME 04108; 207-766-5013; brackettmumc@gmail.com

Rev. Angela Rotherham, Pastor



**Anyone is welcome to join any of our worship, fellowship, or mission opportunities.**

**Sunday Morning Worship** at 10am. Followed by an informal time of food and fellowship in the church hall.

**Adult Scripture Study** Tuesdays, 10-11:30am at the church in our Church Family Room.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** Fridays, 10:00am – 12:00pm at the church in our Church Family Room.

**Peaks Island Food Pantry** at Brackett Church, Mondays, 3:30-5pm.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS IN JUNE:**

**Sunday, June 5, Worship in Action.** We'll be enjoying a brief outdoor worship service and then putting our faith into action by helping our friends care for the Brackett Cemetery. Meet us at the Brackett Church at 10am, we'll gather our friends and our tools before heading out to the cemetery. Then we'll enjoy a picnic fellowship together. Bring something to share!

**Friday, June 10, Community Dinner & a Movie.** At 5:30, join us for a free community dinner – breakfast for dinner is the menu! Then at 6:30 we'll begin our movie: *The Iron Lady*. Starring Meryl Streep as Margaret Thatcher, “the enigmatic, highly controversial figure who became the first and only female Prime Minister of England. Much more than a biographical epic, *The Iron Lady* is also the surprisingly intimate journey of a ‘common’ grocer's daughter whose social ambition and steel will... propelled her to unprecedented power in a world dominated by men.” Rated PG-13.

**Sunday, June 19, Celebration of Rev. Angela's Ordination.** Join us for worship at 10am followed by a reception and celebration of Rev. Angela's ordination (to be held June 17 in Manchester, NH). We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the community for your support of Rev. Angela over the last four years while she completed the conference requirements.

## **The Peaks Island Community Food Pantry**

The Peaks Island Community Food Pantry is truly a community effort, with donations and support provided by many different individuals and organizations from Peaks Island. Our mission is to provide food assistance to our island neighbors in need.

**We are housed in the Brackett Memorial Church and are open on Mondays at 3:30–5pm.**

A heartfelt “Thank you!” to the USPS for the recent food drive, and especially to our island letter carrier, Al, who collected and delivered the items that Peaks Islanders donated through their mail boxes.

We are grateful for the continued support of our island community. Thank you to all of our “Food Pantry Angels” who donate food at the drop off box in Douglas McVane Community Center. This month we would be especially grateful for donations of canned fruit, canned vegetables, Mexican dinners, and laundry detergent. We also need plastic carrier bags.

And a special thank you to those who have sent in cash donations using the Paypal donation button on our website, [www.peaksislandfoodpantry.org](http://www.peaksislandfoodpantry.org). You can also send donations by check to: The Peaks Island Food Pantry, c/o Brackett Memorial Church, 3 Church Avenue, Peaks Island, ME 04108.

If you have any questions about the food pantry, or you would like to arrange a drop off of food or pick up of a donation, please contact Susan Hanley, 332-2443.



## **St. Christopher's Catholic Church**

Rector: Father Michael Seavey at 773-7746

**Sunday Mass** is at 10 AM each week followed by fellowship in the Parish House. All are welcome. Details for other Masses and services in Portland are at <http://www.portlandcatholic.org/>

For questions concerning Baptism, Reconciliation & Marriage, please contact Father Mike.

**Rosary**: The Scripture Studies Group invites all to pray the Rosary for special intentions and world peace at 9:30 AM before Mass each Sunday.

**AA** meets Wednesdays from 6:15 to 7:15 PM in the Parish House.

**Share Scripture** with Islanders from 9:30 to 11 AM each Thursday in the Parish House on Central Avenue.

**Annual Parish Fair** is set for Saturday, July 2nd from 10 AM to 2 PM. Once again we include our Rummage Sale, Raffle Items, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Silent Auction, Home-made Baked Goods, Kids Games and Face Painting, Grilled Hamburgers and Hot Dogs AND our Famous Lobster Rolls ! If you would like to contribute Silent Auction or Rummage Sale items (no clothing or electronics please) contact Susan Hanley at 332-2443 or Chris Hoppin at 766-2593.

**Special Quilt Raffle** A marvelous quilt created by Toni Muro will be raffled off in a special raffle to begin on PeaksFest with only 100 tickets at \$5 each. The raffle will take place when the 100 tickets are sold. Proceeds to benefit St. Christopher's Parish.

## **Cancer Community Center Support Group**

The monthly meeting of the Cancer Community Center Support Group is Tuesday, June 21 from 7 to 8 PM at the St. Christopher Parish House. These meetings are for anyone dealing with cancer (patient, caregiver, family). For more information, please visit the Center's website at [www.cancercommunitycenter.org](http://www.cancercommunitycenter.org) or contact Barbara Hoppin at [bahoppin@aol.com](mailto:bahoppin@aol.com) or 207-766-2593 or Anne Marie O'Rourke at [amorourke17@gmail.com](mailto:amorourke17@gmail.com) or 207-615-5825.

## **Medical Equipment Available on Peaks Island**

Crutches, walkers, wheelchairs and other items may be borrowed temporarily for free from the Peaks Island Health Center and St. Christopher's Parish. Stored at St. Christopher's, the equipment is provided on a first come, first served basis at no charge. Borrowers are only asked to indicate when they plan to return it and also relieve the program of any liability. For more information, contact Kay Taylor at 766-2811 or [islapicos@maine.rr.com](mailto:islapicos@maine.rr.com); or David Vincent at 603-496-6989 or [davidlv55@gmail.com](mailto:davidlv55@gmail.com).

**PEAKS ISLAND CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP:** 71 Herman Avenue: 766-2854  
[www.picw.org](http://www.picw.org)



**PeaksFest is June 17-19<sup>th</sup>: Look for our bake sale and raffle table down front on Saturday morning. If anyone would like to donate baked goods, please contact the office for more information.**

Thank you to Horizon Solutions for coming out for the second year in a row for our United Way Day of Caring. They did a great job of cleaning up our playground and painting our back fence. If you haven't seen it yet, you should walk by because it is beautiful.

The sun has been shining and we have been enjoying the warmer weather by spending lots of time outside going on walks and riding tricycles. The students have helped plant flowers around the playground and we will be starting our vegetable gardens soon. If anyone has tomato or vegetable plants they would like to donate please contact Katie in the office.

**SAVE THE DATE: Summer Soiree is August 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm – 8:30pm**

PICW is accepting applications for part/full time care on our WAIT-LIST. Contact Katie at [office@picw.org](mailto:office@picw.org) for applications. The Board of the PICW is always open to suggestions and communication from the community. Please contact us through Board Chair, Melissa Conrad [mconrad@backshore.net](mailto:mconrad@backshore.net)

### PEAT NEWS

The Peaks Environmental Action Team meets the first Monday of each month at the Community Center, 6:30 pm. All islanders are welcome to attend; we are recruiting new members! Please join us on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

We are delighted to announce our second annual "Garden party" to be held at Lausier Gardens on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am. It will be a potluck brunch in the shade of a beautiful garden with a gorgeous Peaks island view. The speaker is Kat Munson, from the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District discussing yard-scaping. Bring your friends and families for a lovely time with refreshments galore, a raffle, and a prize for the best garden hat worn to the brunch!

PEAT received a grant from the Casco Bay Island Development Association to design a yard sign especially for Peaks Island that will show that our support for pesticide-free areas. They will be available soon and you can contact Mary Anne Mitchell if you would like to purchase one for your yard.



## **June at the Peaks Island Branch Library**

in the Community Building 766-5540

email [peaks@portlandlibrary.org](mailto:peaks@portlandlibrary.org)

Hours Open: Tues 2-8 Wed 10-4 Fri 10-2 Sat 8-12

**Juggling at the Library for PeaksFest:** Janoah Bailin will perform a short, interactive juggling show, after which he will teach a juggling workshop for kids (ages 7 and older, please) and adults (even the self-described uncoordinated!). All you need is your physical person and a willingness to throw things, then let them fall. This will take place on **Saturday, June 18, at 9:45 in the Community Room**. More information and flyers at the library.

**Summer Reading for Adults and Children: June 20<sup>th</sup> until August 13<sup>th</sup>**

**The adult program** will be the same as last year, with a drawing each week at each branch for a \$10 gift certificate from Longfellow Books. All entry forms will be entered into a drawing for a grand prize at the end of the program.

**For the Children's Program the theme is I ♥ Reading in Portland: Time of Wonder.** This year the Portland Public Library and Portland Public Schools are excited to announce a joint summer reading program to encourage children to read about and explore the natural world on their summer vacation. Students in Portland Public Schools may receive a copy of the reading map/log at school or any child may pick it up at the library. The goal for students is to read or listen to eight books. The map/log also contains reading activities, and suggests books to read. The activities are perfect for having summer adventures together, big and small! Reading logs can be brought to the public library before August 13<sup>th</sup> or to school during the first week in September. At the library, we will again have Sea Dogs ticket vouchers and a nifty button at sign-up and a Gelato coupon, book, Subway coupon and a certificate when you finish/hand in your log. You may contact the library for more details.

**Save the Date for a Magic Show, Thursday, July 7, at 4pm.** Noted magician Norman Ng will perform a show for all ages on Peaks Island at Greenwood Gardens. This is sponsored by the library with many thanks to the Lions for providing the space. More details and flyers will be available. You will not want to miss this opportunity.

**First Tuesdays Book Discussion** –The book for the meeting June 7 is *Dead Wake* by Eric Larson. That meeting will be at 7pm in the Community Room. On July 5, the book will be *Killer Angels* by Michael Shaara and the meeting will be at the T.E.I.A. clubhouse. Everyone is welcome to come to any discussion. Please contact the library if you need a copy of the book.

**Middle School Book Club** – Middle School Book Club is the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We continue right through the summer and welcome those who will be entering middle school in the fall. Please join us on Tuesday, June 21st at 5 pm in the community room. We will have food, fun, and conversations around books. Come hear about summer reading that is geared to your age group.

**Wednesday Mornings at the Library through June 15:** 10:15am – Nursery Rhyme Time for infants and toddlers; 11:00am Preschool Story Time for kids 3-5 year-olds. All children are welcome. This program is not held during the summer months.

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH'S STAR:** Saturday, June 25, by 6 pm. Please bring them copy ready to the library. You may put your articles under the door or in the Book Return when the library is closed.



## **PEAKS ISLAND COUNCIL NEWS**

### **Parking & Traffic Cadet**

Starting Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> a police cadet will be overseeing traffic and parking for the "down front" area on Welch Street for the 2016 summer season. The cadet will be on duty four days per week, working Friday through Monday. Both the Peaks Island Council and City of Portland Police Department have contributed funds to ensure the cadet assignment for this year. We welcome back Raven, who was our cadet last year, and look forward to her contributions to our summer safety program.

### **Dispatch number for non-emergency Police or Fire calls: 207-874-8575**

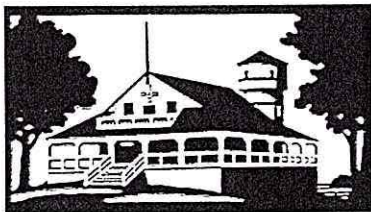
Islanders are encouraged to always use the dispatch number to report any non-emergency situations. This helps accurately log the number of calls for proper staffing consideration for Emergency Services.

### **Fix It! Portland**

Fix It! Portland is the City's customer service tool that allows citizens to quickly and easily report quality of life issues both in town, and on Peaks. Encounter a sidewalk or curb that needs repair? See a street light that needs fixing? Report it using the Fix It! Portland mobile app for your smartphone via the Apple or Android App Store, or use the online form available at: <http://portlandmaine.gov/1448/Fix-It-Portland>

### **PEAKS ISLAND COUNCIL JUNE MEETING**

**June 15th, 6:30 p.m., at the Community Center**



**Fifth Maine Regiment Museum**  
**45 Seashore Ave**  
766-3330  
[fifthmainemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:fifthmainemuseum@gmail.com)

We're ready for the season! Through June 30 the museum will be open from 11am – 4pm weekends and holidays. Weekday hours, 12-4pm, will begin July 1.

Our summer events start with a concert by the Renaissance Voices on Saturday, June 4, at 6:30. We'll be hosting the opening of Peaks Fest Friday, June 17. Our first pancake breakfast of the year, with pancakes, ham, eggs, juice, and coffee, is Sunday, June 26 from 8-11am. On Thursday, June 30, the Faux sisters will return for a concert at 7:30pm.

**The 195<sup>th</sup> Army Band will be at the Fifth Maine for a free outdoor concert on Friday, July 1.**

## News from Peaks Island Elementary School

By Renee Serio, Teacher Leader

**Mayor Ethan Strimling will come to PIES to commission our new Composting and Returnables containers.** He will participate in our RRR-Evolution culminating event on **Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.**

At 10:00, the parents and community are invited to participate in a gallery walk of student work, K-5, that showcases the thinking behind the big question: **What impact does trash have on our island community.** Student art and writing will be featured.

At 10:30, Mayor Strimling as well as City Councilors Ed Suslovic and Belinda Ray will join our school community to "commission" our student designed and built compost container as well as returnables container. These two pieces will be a permanent feature at our Peaks Island Elementary School as we move to a Green Schools of Choice status in the coming year.

**Please mark your calendar and join us on June 7<sup>th</sup> for this special celebration of our project based work.**

## Peaks Branch Library Renovation Update

On April 25, the City Council approved the FY2017 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget – including the \$250,000 needed to complete the funding for the renovation of the Peaks community center and branch library!

This \$650,000 project will ensure that the renovated facility will continue to serve as the “heart of the island” while meeting the evolving needs of the entire Peaks community. This unique public-private funding collaboration includes hundreds of Peaks households and businesses who pledged over \$200,000 towards the New Vision Campaign; the \$250,000 allocation from the City; and a commitment of \$200,000 from an “angel” donor with a family history on Peaks and deep ties to both the library and the Recreation Department. In recognition of this generosity, the renovated building will be named The Kennedy and Carter Family Community Center & Branch Library. (The MacVane Community Room will retain its name.)

This spring and summer, the Library will work behind the scenes with the City’s Department of Parks, Recreation, and Facilities to begin the bid and permitting process and will confirm the pledge schedules of the generous New Vision Campaign donors. The Library has already started to make plans to relocate library programs on the island during construction, and the Recreation Department will undertake a similar process. Renovation work should begin before the end of the calendar year, and those details will be shared as soon as they become set. Many thanks to ALL who have supported the project all along the way with your energy, gifts and pledges, and unwavering enthusiasm!



Peaks Island Health Center  
87 Central Ave. P.O. Box 52

Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Kitty Gilbert, Family Nurse Practitioner, provides care for all ages.  
Please call either 766-2929 or 874-2466 for an appointment.

**A reminder:** On Tuesday, June 28th, at 7 PM at TEIA's Garman Lounge, Dr. Bud Higgins will host a conversation about ZIKA, LYME and other infections that can impact Peaks Islanders. All are welcome.

**Looking ahead to July: Monday, July 4---Peaks Island Clamshell Relay Race!**  
Race time will be 9:00 AM, with sign-up and the raffle to begin at 8:00 AM at the entrance to the Lions Club. The raffle will also be held in front of Hannigan's on both Saturday and Sunday, July 2 and 3.

What is a clamshell relay race? According to its founder, Dr. Chuck Radis, "it has everything: strange and wonderful awards, tasty treats, amazing raffle prizes and an appreciative crowd which claps as loud for the last one over the line as for the first. The race starts at the entrance to the Lions Club. Boom! (That's the starting cannon.) One relay partner runs to the Fifth Maine, picks up a clamshell and heads back to the starting line where he passes it to his or her relay partner. That runner (or walker or stroller pusher) then heads down Island Ave. to Centennial Beach, dips the clamshell in the water and returns to what is now the finishing line. Whew! Fun for all ages! Come support the Health Center!

## SENIOR NEWS

The Senior Luncheon will be held on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Invite your senior friends and neighbors to join us at noon at the Fay Garman House. Come and enjoy the beautiful gardens that are blooming outside the community room. Bring a dish to share and join in the camaraderie. All Seniors are welcome!

**Chair Yoga** is at the Fay Garman House every Wednesday starting at 4 pm for about an hour. Chair yoga is a great way to relax from head to toe without the stress of getting out of your chair. There is no charge for these yoga sessions and are open to anyone who wants a quick way to stretch their body and relieve tensions.

You are also invited to the Fay Garman House on Monday evenings from 7 to 9, to join the residents in **Game Night**. We play cribbage and a variety of other games. Bring your game board, favorite card game, or just yourself. Come out and have some fun!

## PEAKS ISLAND TAX AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE

In May of 2005, the Peaks Island Committee for Fundraising for Property Tax Relief began a journey which continues today. None of us really thought the committee would be in existence in 2016 and still going strong. Our tax assistance account named for our dear friend and neighbor, Sam McCain, provided \$8125 in property tax assistance for seven families. The assistance that we provide has made it possible for some of our friends and neighbors to remain in their homes even though property taxes have increased.

Our energy assistance fund has assisted many more families. 30 families applied for energy assistance and received over \$8600 in energy assistance. We have met the needs of every family whose application was approved by a member of the clergy. We are most hopeful that people stayed warm over this very long winter. The warmer weather has not arrived and folks are still using their heat!

Last month we put out a call for donations and a day later we received a donation of \$500. That was the very best present anyone could receive! We are now planning our fund raising activities for the fiscal year 2016-2017. We hope to start the year off with our Clam Chowder and Lobster Roll Dinner in July. We are waiting for our lobster supplier to let us know when we should hold the dinner. The food will be delicious and plentiful. Our members provide all of the food and they are terrific cooks. All of the proceeds will be deposited in our energy and tax accounts.

We live in a community that recognizes that our friends and neighbors do need assistance now and then to remain on the island and to keep their houses warm. The generous donations of islanders and businesses continue to make it possible for many islanders to have warm homes and for others "the taxman has not cometh." Your support of PITEA and its missions is a reminder to all that year-round or seasonal residents of Peaks Island are kind, supportive and considerate with very generous spirits.

On behalf of PITEA members past and present we invite you to join our committee and we thank you for all your help!

Peaks Island Tax and Energy Assistance

Mary Arnold, Ralph Ashmore, Linda Capone Newton, Heather Kanniaien, Linda Murphy, John O'Brien, Cynthia Pedlikin, Howard Pedlikin, and Val Simoneau

## CERT Disaster Preparedness

Trained by members of the Portland Fire Department, the Peaks Island Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) prepares to respond to disasters. But we need more volunteers! For more info, call Al Bleau at 766-0007 or 781-962-2662.

## FREE Passes to Six Local and State Attractions With Your Library Card

Summer is a great time to check out the FREE library passes to local attractions. If you go to the Portland Public Library's website, [www.portlandlibrary.com](http://www.portlandlibrary.com), and type Free Passes in the catalog search box, a list of all the available passes will come up. At present there are six, **Maine State Park, Tate House, Southworth Planetarium, Portland Museum of Art, Maine State Museum, and Portland Observatory**. Some are seasonal attractions. Some you can enjoy year-round. If you click on the name of the attraction, you will find a description of that museum, park, or historical site. Then click on "full record," and all the details of how many the pass admits, what the dates that place is open are, etc. It's a wonderful offering and very much underused by Peaks Islanders.



## JUNE ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND

Sponsored by Portland Recreation and Facilities Management

To reserve space and/or equipment in the Community Building, you must contact Denise (DLM@portlandmaine.gov or 766-2970) at least two days in advance. Please plan ahead as Denise works part-time on the island, on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you are interested in hosting a "mystery tea" during the summer, please let Denise know. If you leave a phone message but don't receive a return call, please call again as the message may have been lost. Thanks!

### WEEKLY KNIT/CROCHET and CHAT

Thursdays, June 2, 16, 23 and 30 10:45 - 11:45 am  
Join us in the com. rm. as we continue making hats, scarves and dishcloths for charity. Stop by if you are interested in buying hand-made dish cloths (\$2) or hats/scarves (\$7 each). Proceeds go towards purchase of much needed gloves/socks.

### LAUGHTER YOGA

Monday, June 6 10:45 - 11:30 am (com. room)  
Learn to laugh at nothing at all and get all the health benefits that laughter offers. The Yoga part is short and deep breaths (no Yoga positions). All are welcome - no experience needed

### LUNCH at the INN w/ "IN-TOWN" SENIORS

Thursday, June 9 11:30am - 2:30 pm  
Island seniors are invited to join in the fun at this annual event with "in-town" seniors. Pre-registration required - deadline to register and pay is Thursday, June 2. Cost is \$14 for buffet lunch & gratuity (salad, rolls, baked stuffed chicken, pasta, dessert and soft drink or hot beverage). FMI: 766-2970

### ON-GOING EXERCISE PROGRAMS - ADULTS MONDAYS and THURSDAYS:

Low-Impact Aerobics w/ Weights - 9:30 to 10:30 am (com. rm.)

### BYO PICNICS at the COMMUNITY GARDEN

Thursdays, June 16, 23 and 30 12:15 - 1:15 pm  
Enjoy the beauty of the community garden at Trott-Littlejohn Park. BYO lunch and share garden stories with others. All are welcome (children must be accompanied by adult). Attention community/home gardeners: if you have extra produce you would like to share with island seniors, please contact Denise at [DLM@portlandmaine.gov](mailto:DLM@portlandmaine.gov). We'll help distribute the produce.

### PORTLAND SCIENCE CENTER

Monday, June 20 11:15 am boat/return on your own  
This new Science Center is walking distance from CBL. The special exhibit features artifacts recovered from the Titanic and tells the dramatic and poignant story of the ship, crew, and passengers who were on the maiden voyage. Senior rate is \$17.50 (65+); \$19.50 for adults. An optional \$5 audio tour is available. Lunch as a group is optional.

### SPUR OF THE MOMENT IN-TOWN TRIP: STRAWBERRY PICKING

Date and Time to be determined (depends on availability)  
If you are interested in going strawberry picking, please put your name on the sign-up sheet. If there is enough interest (minimum of 6), we may be able to go.



## June Movies - Saturday Nights - FREE

<b>6PM</b> <b>4</b>	<i>Rise of the Guardians</i> , 2012, PG, 97 min	<b>8PM</b> <b>4</b>	<i>Finding Neverland</i> , 2005, R, 101 min
<b>11</b>	<i>Strange Magic</i> , 2015, PG, 99 min	<b>11</b>	<i>Pan's Labyrinth</i> , 2007, R, 119 min
<b>18</b>	<i>Rango</i> , 2011, PG, 107 min	<b>18</b>	<b>Special PeaksFest Extravaganza</b> <i>Shakespeare in Love</i> , 1998, R, 122 min <b>Special Shakespeare-related activities</b>
<b>25</b>	<i>Holes</i> , 2003, PG, 117 min	<b>25</b>	<i>Birdman</i> , 2014, R, 119 min

Movies are projected onto a big screen in the Community Room and shown by volunteers. Children must be accompanied by an adult. They are a program of the Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library.